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✓ MIDNIGHT SHADOWS ✓

✓ Photoplay in five reels ✓

✓ Written and directed by Francis Ford ✓

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### Synopsis

#### "MIDNIGHT SHADOWS"

An abandoned hotel at The Big Blue Mine has been re-opened by two strangers. The first arrival is "Bill Smith" followed in quick succession by two women, three white men and a colored man, each being a stranger. One of these is "J.B. Smith", owner of the Big Blue Mine and another "Harry Smith" detective, who announces he will stay until he captures the man who is robbing the mine.

At midnight "J.B. Smith" comes downstairs and is attacked by a stranger who enters, bound and gagged and put into ~~a closet that looks like~~ a clock. Proprietor and wife hear noise, come downstairs followed by others. Phone rings, call for the detective, he answers and is told man entered hotel, they open closet and find "J.B." bound and gagged.

Next morning all the guests are at the mine looking around for various reasons. Later the gold clean-up of the mine is loaded on the truck for shipment. About midnight the hotel proprietor is shot at. All gather about and learn he had the combination of the safe in the mine office. Search is made and in the morning "Harry Smith", the detective, finds Bill Smith's horse covered with lather from hard riding and places Bill under arrest. Bill escapes and hides in the woods, sees a man leaving the hotel and pursues him but finds a rocky gorge which he crosses on a rope. While he is in the air the chief villain "J.B." cuts the rope and "Bill" falls on the rocks below. He is revived by one of the women and each learns the other is a real detective.

The canvas-covered, gold-laden truck leaves the mine and is held up by the conspirators, when the canvas cover is thrown back and a posse of armed guards attack the bandits. Three of them escape by riding madly to the hotel where they are rounded up by the real detectives and it is proved that the robbers are "J.B.", the proprietor's wife, one of the women guests and "Harry Smith", the fake detective, "Bill Smith" and the woman detective.

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